

PERFINS IN CURRENT USE George S. Dyke.

Since the June Bulletin, MR FROST and BRIAN MERRYWEATHER have sent in added information. The data so far is:-

<u>Cat.No.</u>	<u>Perfin</u>	<u>User</u>	<u>Stamp</u>	<u>Date</u>
C0020.01	C/.,	Chris Carr (Private user)	1 st	4/4/94
H1160.02M	HC	Hastings Corporation	19p	17/2/94
K0285.01M	K&C	Kensington, Chelsea & Westminster Area Health Authority	25p	?
K1470.02	KP	Mr.K.P.Parkhill (Private user)	20p & 5p	31/3/94
L0340.01M	LB/C	London Borough of Camden	25p & 19p	8/5/94
L4815.01	LR/PC	London Regional Passengers Committee	1st,2nd, lp & 2p	22/3/94
M5310.01	MSN	No ident - thought illegal use	25p	24/5/94
P2565.01M	PI/O	Pratts Insurance Office	19p	22/3/94
P4145.01M	PS	Perfin Society of GB	19p Train	1994
R0410.01M	RBC	Rotherham Borough Council	19p	4/2/94
Des0295	CROSS	Rosemary Smith (Private user)	lp & 25p	10/3/94

Total of 11 - 4 of which are used by Society/Members.

The following are possibles only, as no cover is available and the dates are before 1994.

B0195	BA/HA	Any of 3	33p	1991/93
B1110.01	BC	Any of 25	18p & 20p	1991/93
C2310.01	C/EC	Croydon Education Committee	18p & 20p	1991/93
L0630.01	LB/R	London Borough of Redbridge	18p & 20p	1991/93
U1170.01	U.L.	University of London	Tennyson	1992

Please continue to report any more current usage to George Dyke at 29 Westby Road, Boscombe, Bournemouth BH5 1HA.

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Thanks to Mr. Rowe and D. Anderson a few more perfins in current use are known. This is the complete list: additions welcome.

<u>PERFIN</u>	<u>CAT.NO.</u>	<u>STAMP</u>	<u>USER -Where known</u>
BA/HA	B0195.01	33p	
BC	B1110.03	18p/20p	
C/CC	C1260.01	24p	
C/EC	C2310.01	18p/20p	Croydon Education Committee
CP	C5760.01	18p	
DC	D0560.01	18p	
HB	H0360.01	25p*	(* Denotes 1994 usage)
HC	H1160.02M	19p*	Hastings Corporation
K&C	K0285.01M	25p*	Kensington, Chelsea & Westminster AHA
KP	K1470.02	20p/5p*	Kevin Parkhill (Society Member)
LB/B	L0315.02	1p	London Boro' of Barnet or Barking
LB/C	L0340.01	19p	
LB/C	L0340.06	19p/25p*	London Borough of Camden
LB/G	L0390.01M	24p	London Borough of Greenwich
LB/R	L0630.01	18p/20p	London Borough of Redbridge
LC	L0960.02	18p/24p	London SE postmark
LF/CD	L2207/01	24p	London Fire and Civil Defence
LR/PC	L5465.01	1p/2p*	London Regional Passenger Committee
MSN	M5310.01	25p*	Thought illegal use
N/riA	N1625.01	25p*	Newham Health Authority
NH/HD	N1675.01	24p	North Hampshire Health District
PI/O	P2565.01M	19p*	Pratts Insurance Office
PS	P4145.01m	19p/25p*	Perfin Society of Great Britain
R/HA	R2225.02M	24p	Rochdale Area Health Authority
RBC	R0410.01M	19p/1p*	Rotherham Borough Council
SC	S1210.01	24p/25p*	Think Southwalk Corporation
STH	S7390.02M	24p	St.Thomas's Hospital (Lambeth)
St/BH	S7170.01M	25p*	
TDC	T1268.01M	25p*	Taunton Deane B.C.?
TW	T4910.01	19p/24p*	Thames Water
U.L.	U1170.01	25p*	University of London
C/..	C0020.01	1st Class*	Chris Carr (Society Member)
Cross	Des0295.01	19p/25p*	Rosemary Smith (Society Member)

New info. to: 29 Westby Road, Boscombe, Bournemouth BH5 1HA.

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Thanks to ALASTAIR WALTER we have a few more additions to the list of perfins which are in current use.

They are:-

L0440.01	L.B./H	London Borough of Hammersmith.
L1310.01	LCS	Lincoln Co-op Society.
L2207.01	LF/CD	London Fire & Civil Defence Authority.
N0510.05	NC	Nottingham Corporation.

This survey is still on-going so please send any new sightings to 29 Westby Road, Boscombe, Bournemouth BH5 1HA.

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See Bulletins 273/11 & 275/14

The following perfin dies have been reported as used on current stamps.

L0630.01 LB/R 25p London Borough of Redbridge

T4910.01 TW 25p Thames Water

These two are later use than reported previously.

T2060.01 TH 25p Tower Hamlets

New user to existing list.

C0520.01 CB/B 25p County Borough of Bournemouth

This may be a 'One-Off' as Bournemouth has been using a
franking machine for about 10 years.

Keep sending finds to 29 Westby Rd., Boscombe, Bournemouth BH5 1HA

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See Bulletins 273/11; 275/14; 278/9.

Thanks to Mr. Comper (a very new member), Mr. Ransom and Mr. Rowe we can add a few more perfins in current use to the list. The total now stands at 50, including the Society's perforator.

<u>PERFIN</u>	<u>CAT.NO.</u>	<u>STAMP</u>	<u>USER -Where known</u>
BH/A	B3275.0?	19p/25p	Various- Missing pin in cross bar of H
CLE/C	C4470.01M	19p	Carlisle Corporation.
DT	D4710.06M	19p/25p	Daily Telegraph Ltd.
E.C/D	E0640.01	19p	Education Committee - Durham.
EH/MC	E2020.01	19p/25p	Various.
HH/MC	H341O.01	19p/25p	Various.
KC	K0260.01M	25p	Various.
MB/W	M0820.03M	19p	Metropolitan Borough of Wigan.
MGN	M2755.01	19p/25p	Mirror Group of Newspapers Ltd.
SE/EB	S2480.01M	19p/25p	South Eastern Electricity Board.
		50p/£1	
W/HA	W3455.02	19p/25p	Wolverhampton HA - only one central hole in cross bar of H.

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See Bulletin 273/11; 275/14; 278/9; 279/9.

PAMELA DUKES and ROBERT ROWE have reported the following perfins in current use.

<u>PERFIN</u>	<u>CAT.NO.</u>	<u>STAMP</u>	<u>USER - Where known</u>
C/CC	C1260.01	1p, 19p, 25p	Cornwall County Council
C/HA	C3085.03	25p	Crewe Health Authority
COV/HA	C5647.01	25p	Coventry Health Authority
DC	D0560.02	1p	Various
R/HA	R2225.01M	25p	Riverside Health Authority
RH/A8	R2228.01	19p, 25p, NVI	Various
WT	W7310.01	19p	Allied Paper Merchants (London)

DEREK RANSON writes:- "With reference to the letters concerning the difficulty of getting stamps perfinned (See Bulletin 280), it would appear that there have been improvements in the supply situation since the Post Office announced the availability of sheets of Non Value Indicator (NVI) stamps from Birmingham, Coventry, Falkirk and Milton Keynes in Sep'93 and from the Philatelic Bureau in Oct' 93.

I have acquired the following NVI stamps which show a more widespread use in the last year."

CB/H	C0775.01	2nd class	
C/CC	C1260.05M	2nd class	Canterbury Pmk, Sep'95
EH/MC	E2020.01	2nd class	
LC	L0960	2nd class	Leeds pmk, May'95
LCS	L1310.01	1st class	blunt pins
W/HA	W3455.02	2nd class	weak strike, pins sharp

New finds to 29 Westby Road, Boscombe, Bournemouth BH5 1HA.

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Last mention in Bulletin 281 Page 6.

DAVE HILL, DEREK RANSOM and ROSEMARY SMITH have reported the following perfins in current use.

<u>PERFIN</u>	<u>CAT.NO.</u>	<u>STAMP</u>	<u>USER - Where known</u>
18	Des.0132.02	19p	Sutton; Sutton & Cheam
AC/C	A1070.02	25p	Assoc'n of County Councils
BC	B1110.05	19p	Blackpool or Burnley Corp.
BG	B2910.02M	25p	Various
BH/A	B3275.01M	19p, 25p	Various
CSA	C0080.01M	25p	C 4 A Modes Ltd., Leicester
CB/H	C0775.01	25p, 2ndNVI	County Boro' of Hartlepool
CC	C1110.01	19p	Various
C/CC	C1260.01M	1p, 9p, 25p. 2ndNVI	Canterbury City Council
CP	C5760.01M	1p, 19p	Various
E.C/D	E0640.01	25p	Education Committee Durham
LB/B	L0315.01	19p	Various - London
LB/H	L0430.02M	19p, 25p	London Boro ¹ of Hackney
NC	N0510.02M	19p	Various
RBC	R0140.01M	1p, 19p, 25p. 2ndNVI	Rotherham Boro' Council
RH/A	R2223.01	1p	Rochdale H A
R/HA	R2225.02M	1p, 19p	Rochdale H A
SB/C	S0590.01M	19p, 25p	Various

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DEREK RANSOM reports the following new dies or values:-

<u>PERFIN</u>	<u>CAT.NO.</u>	<u>STAMP</u>	<u>USER - Where known</u>
BC	B1110.03M	19p	
BC	B1110.05	25p	
BG	B2910.02M	25p	various
C&A	C0080.01M	19p	
CB/H	C0775.01	19p	
C/CC	C1260.05	2nd class	changed from .01
DC	D0560.02	19p	
G	G0010.16	25p	changed from .11 – this is Glasgow Corp.
HB	H0360.01M	1st class	
HC	H1160.02M	lp, 50p, £1	
HC/S	H1710.01	19p	
HH/MC	H3410.01	6p, 1st class	
K&C	K0285.01	19p	
L.B./H	L0440.01	lp, 19p, 1st class	
LB/I	L0460.01M	19p, 2nd class	London Boro'Islington
LB/R	L0630.01	lp, 1st class	
NC	N0510.08	19p, 25p	changed from .05
RBC	R0140.01M	1st class, 2p, 10p, 50p	
R/HA	R2225.01M	19p	
R/HA	R2225.02M	2nd class	
SB/C	S0590.01dM	lp, 18p	changed from .01
SC	S1210.01	lp, 2nd class	
SE/EB	S2480.01M	1st class	
St/BH	S7170.01M	lp	
TH	T2060.01	19p	
WC	W1010.02	19p	
18	#0132.02	lp	

From BRIAN MERRYWEATHER:-

LB/C L0340.06 2nd class

'HB' perfin was used by more than one user. It is probably used by The Boro' of Hampstead at this present time. Can anyone confirm this with an up-to-date cover?

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DEREK RANSOM has, once again, found quite a number to add to the list.

<u>PERFIN</u>	<u>CAT.NO.</u>	<u>STAMP</u>	<u>USER WHERE KNOWN</u>
CB/H	C0775.01	1p	
LB/I	L0460.01M	25p	
LCS	L1310.01	10p .	
MGN	N2755.01	1st class	
NC	N1510.02	1p	
SE/EB	S2480.01	2nd class	
SW/S	S8210.02	1p	Canterbury postm.
TH	T2060.01	1p	
W/HA	W3455.02	1p, 1st class	

In Derek's own words, "the following are some useless statistics".

Out of approx 100 kilos of genuine kiloware a rough content will produce a perfin (approx):-

for Wildings	1 in every 20
early Machins	1 in every 100
later Machins	1 in every 500
elliptical	1 in every 1500

Not such useless information!

The full list is still contained on 2 sides of A4 paper. I, Ed, have them on computer and if you would like a print-out and have to write to me re the Bulletin, please mention the fact. I believe Dave Hill also keeps a copy on his computer. This is another on going piece of research and needs your input.

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PERFINS IN CURRENT USE from Derek Ransom

Current Perfins Update

BC	B1110.03	20p	
C&A	C0080.01M	19p	
CB/H	C0775.01	1st	
C/EC	C2310.01	20p	
CLE/C	C4470.01M	1p	
EH/MC	E2020.01b	1 st	
HC/S	H1710.01	25p	Belfast 25 Sept 96
LB/C	L0340.01	1p	
L.B./H	L0440.01M	2 nd	
LB/R	L0630.01	20p	
LF/CD	L2207.01	1 st	
MS	M4960.01	20p	turquoise (SGY1674)
NH/HD	N1675.01	1 st	
PI/O	P2565.01M	29p, 50p	
RBC	R1410.01M	2p, 10p, 50p	
R/HA	R2225.02M	1p	
TH	T2060.01	1 st	
U.L	U1170.01	26p brown	(SG Y1678)

Latest Dates Seen

EH/MC	10 Mar 97	
L.B./H	1 May 97	
CLE/C	11 Jun97	
SC	7 Jul 97	Doncaster, Rochdale and Scunthorpe p/mk in block of 12, in company with 1p, 2p and £2 unperfined.
NH/ND	4 Mar 98	not postmarked but received by my daughter in her mail at work.

I have been through literally tens of thousands of recent low value current Machins. Only one lonely 26 brown had a perfin, none of the 20p greens. It would be appreciated if anyone reporting current usage of perfins could

be specific as to the stamp and include dates if available, since there are now 2, or even 3, colours or designs for each denomination.

I have a possible clue to an ident for KC on the 19p. On the back of the card it was torn from is "King's H—". It is a school of some sort, since it goes on to say "Dear Parent or Guardian The next term starts ...". Postmark is London SE.
